

Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy (IGCIA)

Public Corruption Investigations Training Program (IG-PCITP) Continuing Professional Education (CPE)

(dated 04/26/13)

COURSE OVERVIEW

The PCITP is a 3.5 day program designed to instruct IG professionals in the procedures, techniques and legal issues associated with investigating allegations of employee and agency corruption. Through case studies and sharing lessons learned, participants will gain knowledge of the fundamentals and best practices of working several types of internal and public corruption cases. This program was developed in collaboration with experienced criminal investigators and senior executives from a diverse cross-section of the federal OIG community. The PCITP is taught by knowledgeable instructors including criminal investigators, Department of Justice trial attorneys, a published university professor, and senior executives from the IG community.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS): Auditors, who follow GAGAS (Yellow Book), need to maintain their professional competence through continuing professional education (CPE) and earn a total of 80 hours of CPE in every 2-year period. One CPE hour may be earned for each 50 minutes of participation in group activities and programs that qualify under GAGAS. **Auditor participants who have successfully completed the PCITP should follow GAGAS and their respective OIG's guidance in determining the type (government and non-government) and calculating the number of CPEs that can be claimed.** For example, an auditor attending the program could earn up to 9 CPEs per day if all of the subject matter presented on a daily basis appropriately enhances the auditor's professional proficiency or provides professional and technical development. Please note that up to 4.5 CPEs could be earned on the final day as the program concludes at Noon.¹

Professional Auditor Organizations and Licensed Auditor Professionals: Auditors who complete the PCITP and who are members of professional organizations and/or are licensed professionals need to be cognizant of the CPE requirements of their respective professional organizations or licensing bodies. Please note that neither the program nor its provider, the CIGIE Training Institute's IGCIA, are certified under the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) CPE standards.

Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation: Inspectors and evaluators, who follow the *Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation*² (Blue Book) need to maintain their professional competence through training and should strive to earn a total of 80 hours biennially but minimally earn 40 hours of training biennially. **Inspector and evaluator participants who have successfully completed the PCITP should follow the Blue Book standards and their respective OIG's guidance in calculating the number of training hours that can be claimed.** For example, an inspector or evaluator completing the program could earn up to 9 training hours per day. Please note that up to 4.5 hours could be earned on the final day of the program as it concludes at Noon.³

¹Government Auditing Standards 2011 Revision, GAO-12-331G, December 2011 and
Government Auditing Standards: Guidance on GAGAS Requirements for Continuing Professional

Education, GAO-05-568G.

2Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation, January 2012.

3For consistency across the CIGIE audit, and inspection and evaluation communities, the same calculations were used for CPEs and training hours.

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